

EDITORIAL COMMENT

JUST A NEWSPAPER GUY.

(By "Chink" Richmond.)
I see a man push his way through the lines
Of cops where the work of the "fire-hound" shines.
"The chief?" I inquired, but a fire-man replies:
"Gee, no. Why, that's one of those newspaper guys."
I see a man walk through the door of a show,
Where great throngs are blocked by the signs "S. R. O."
"Is this man the star that no ticket buys?"
"Star, nothing, he's one of those newspaper guys."
I see a man start on a trail of a crook;
He scorns the police but he brings him to book.
"Sherlock Holmes?" I inquire. Some one scornfully cries:
"Sherlock hell—No, he's one of those newspaper guys!"
I see a man sit in a seat of the great,
And they ask his advice upon matters of state.
"A diplomat surely"—but, to my surprise,
They tell me he's one of those newspaper guys.
And some day I will stand by the great gates of gold
And see a man pass through unquestioned and bold,
"A Saint?" I'll ask, and Peter'll reply:
"No, he's only a plain, honest newspaper guy."
Japan has promised to get busy and that means a great deal.
Senator James, who has been ill two weeks, will be able to resume his work next week.
The new list of killed and wounded at Toul March 1, contains among the slightly wounded Clarence L. Hill, of Middlesboro, Ky.
The Wisconsin Legislature is about to fail in an effort to pass a resolution censuring Senator LaFollette. A vote will hardly be reached.
A war party is developing in Russia that may force the resignations of Lenin and Trotsky, who signed the humiliating peace with Russia.
The final adjournment of the Legislature will take place on the night of March 20. Two sessions are now being held daily.
It is by no means certain that the congress of Soviets at Moscow March 12 will ratify the peace by which Russia is to give Germany a "piece" of territory bigger than Germany.
Miss Beulah Lambert, daughter of the former mayor of Owensboro, is now a graduated aviator from the Curtis Aerial School at Buffalo. She is the first Kentucky girl to attain this honor.
Once more the women voters have helped the President by breaking the tie in the House and giving the Democrats control. Their votes elected Democrats to fill four vacancies in New York city districts.
That well-informed newspaper man Harry Summers, of the Elizabethtown News, does the state of Montana the injustice of saying it is represented by Senator Chamberlain. Oregon is responsible for him.
The trial of Maj. Milton Board, accused of neglecting a soldier at Camp Zachary Taylor, who later died, was postponed Tuesday until Thursday that important witnesses may testify.
Twenty-nine young women speaking both French and English have been recruited for telephone operators in France in connection with the Signal Corps. They will sail in the near future.
Germans captured by Americans gave a good deal of information and admitted that Germany would in the end lose. They said they did not want to fight but had to and that they were glad to be prisoners in the hands of the Americans, as they believed they would be treated well.

BUSINESS

BOOMING

Farmers Carrying Home Fat Checks For Tobacco Sold
—Banks Get Deposits.

ENJOYING LARGE TRADE

Buyers Riding In Country Looking For Special Types.

Yesterday was the biggest tobacco sale of the season on the Hopkinsville market. The exact figures were not obtainable at the time of going to press but those who are best able to judge estimated yesterday's sales as amounting to over a half million pounds. Most of the loose floors worked late into the night Thursday unloading the wagons that were packed in long rows waiting their turn.

Prices still rule strong, especially on the better grades. The poorer grades have not ruled so strong the past few days. Indications are that a better grade of tobacco is being offered now than at any time this season. The higher prices are due partly to this fact. However, prices have advanced \$1.50 to \$2.00 during the past three weeks.

A considerable quantity of wet and damaged tobacco continues to be offered for sale and in every instance tobacco in this condition brings from \$1.00 to \$3.00 less than if it were in a well ordered state.

In addition to the loose floor sales a large force of buyers are riding in the country and offering good prices for crops particularly suited to their trade.

Since no tobacco is being handled this year at Cadiz and Elkton and but little at Paducah, Hopkinsville should be able to handle at least forty millions of pounds this season. This will make Hopkinsville a market second to none in the state.

Notwithstanding the fact the farmer has to pay higher prices for the goods he buys he is enjoying to-day opportunity as never before. Everything he has to sell brings a high price. He is able to grow on the farm practically everything for his table and, unlike his city brother, is not compelled to purchase second-hand all the necessities of life. Palmy days for the farmer are these.

WOMEN ELECT DEMOCRATS

IN FOUR DISTRICTS IN GREATER NEW YORK 31,318 WOMEN VOTE FOR CONGRESSMEN.

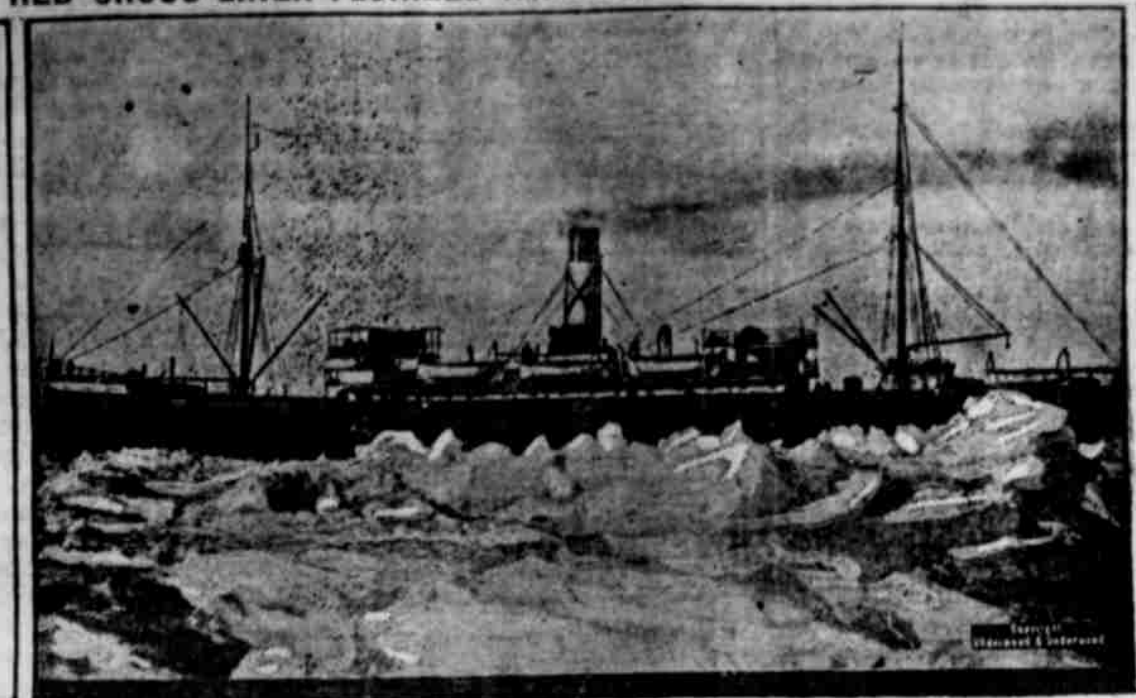
New York, March 6.—Control of the house of representatives was regained by the democrats Tuesday when they elected their candidates from four districts in Greater New York at special elections called to choose successors to four members of that party who had resigned their seats in congress. New York women had their first chance to vote since they won the right at the polls last November. It was significant that they cast 31,318 votes out of a total of 78,192 in the four districts. They voted early, seemed to have made up their minds what they were going to do before they reached the polls, and they asked few "foolish" questions.

The successful candidates were:
Seventh district—Kings county, John J. Delaney, to succeed John J. Fitzgerald.
Eighth district—Kings county, William E. Cleary, to succeed Daniel J. Griffin.
Twenty-first district—New York county, Jerome F. Donovan, to succeed Murray Hulbert.
Twenty-second district—New York and Bronx counties, Anthony J. Griffin, to succeed Henry Bruckner.

CASUALTIES MONDAY.

Gen. Pershing reported to the War Department Monday the names of the Lieutenant and nine privates killed in action; of a Captain, a Lieutenant and eleven men severely wounded and 10 men slightly wounded, all on March 1, the day of a German assault on an American trench sector. The names of the Lieutenant and four men killed the same day previously had been reported. The only Kentuckian in the list was John L. Bray, of Drums, Ky., who was severely wounded.

RED CROSS LINER FLORIZEL WRECKED ON REEFS OFF CAPE RACE



Forty-four survivors, all who were left of the ship company of 130, were taken from this ill-fated Red Cross liner Florizel, which struck a reef north of Cape Race, N. F., during a terrific blizzard. The survivors were taken off by the crew of the Prospero, which was sent by the government to the scene with special life-saving apparatus. The Florizel is shown here as an ice breaker in New York harbor.

PATRIOTIC FAREWELL

GRACEY BOY IN THE ARMY WRITES LETTER ON STARTING "OVER THERE."

Frank Summers, a Gracey boy with the army, writes this patriotic letter to one of his boy friends: Co. A, 9th Battalion, 20th Engineer, Washington, D. C., Mar. 1, 1918.

My Dear Pal:
Well, I guess we are separated for the last time, as I am writing to say good bye before I take my departure to the other side of the pond. To uphold the stars and stripes and protect the women and folks at home.

Well Pal, I have to say ta-ta. Be a man where ever your lot may fall, I know not what will take place in the U. S. after I am gone, but as for my part I chose to be a man not afraid to die for my country and parents. I know not what my lot will be in the war, but if it's to die to keep a Government like we have I am willing, but I had rather be dead than be under a Monarch's rule under the Kaiser.

Tell everybody "hello" and my regards with my usual smile and happy-go-lucky disposition. Tell— I say, all things in the courtship line are at an end as far as I am concerned, that she was the last one of my girls.

Write me to the same address. It will be forwarded to me. Tell all the boys to drop me a line.

P. S.—You do not want to say I am leaving as it means trouble for me if you do. I am now making 25 cents a day when I used to make from \$3.50 to \$8.20 a day, but now I am happier to know I have a cause and a country worth while to fight for.

Don't forget that I am always your friend.

FRANK SUMMERS.

FOLLOWING THE FLAG.

The Elizabethtown High School has raised a service flag containing 70 stars, two for Majors and 13 for Lieutenants.

Edward Breathitt, son of Judge James Breathitt, has successfully passed his examination for admission to the navy and has taken the oath. This was done at Indianapolis. He has now returned to Evansville, where he is at work. He will report for duty whenever he is ordered to do so.

Raymond Magraw, son of Dr. N. C. Magraw, formerly of this county, but now of Cadiz, is critically ill of pneumonia at Camp Taylor, both lungs being affected. His parents were informed by wire of his condition and they are now with him. A telegram Tuesday stated that he was much worse. Young Magraw volunteered for army service some time ago and was sent to Camp Taylor.

DAIRY ASSOCIATION.

The Christian County Dairy Association will meet at the H. B. M. A. room at 10:30 a. m. to-morrow, for important business.
R. C. GARY, Pres.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

SELECTED FOR CHRISTIAN CO. AT MEETINGS LAST SATURDAY.

On Saturday March 2, the trustees of each of the eight educational divisions met in the office of Supt. Foster and organized by electing a chairman and secretary. These division boards have the selection of all teachers of rural schools except the county high schools. Teachers of county high schools are elected by the County Board of Education.

The chairman of the eight educational divisions with the county superintendent constitute the County Board and the personnel of the Board will be as follows:

Chairman—Supt. L. E. Foster.
Division No. 1—W. F. Lacey (holderover).
Division No. 2—J. T. Smithson.
Division No. 3—J. C. Johnson.
Division No. 4—Lee Witty.
Division No. 5—R. H. McGaughey.
Division No. 6—J. O. Stegar.
Division No. 8—Edgar Harned.

TWO PAPERS AT THE ATHENAEUM

MESSRS. WEATHERS AND FOSTER ARE ON THE PROGRAM.

The March meeting of the Athenaeum will be held 8 o'clock at Hotel Latham with two papers. Mr. Ed L. Weathers will write on "Our Island Possessions."

Prof. L. E. Foster's subject will be "Kentucky in Rhyme." He is substituting for President A. H. Eckles.

BRIDEGROOM IS KILLED

A YOUNG BRAKEMAN MEETS DEATH UNDER A TRAIN AT NORTONVILLE.

Ola Smith, an L. & N. brakeman, fell under a car while doing some switching at Nortonville Saturday and was instantly killed. Smith's home was in Gallatin, Tenn. He was 23 years old and is survived by his wife, whom he married only about a month ago. The remains were taken to Gallatin for interment.

BASKET BALL.

The High School Alumni basketball team will meet the fast Madisonville Y. M. C. A. team Friday night at the Belmont Gymnasium floor. This game is expected to be the fastest of the season. Both teams are composed of former High School and college athletes.

The Alumni team will line up as follows:

P. Roberts—L. F. G. Purley—R. F. K. Ashby—C. J. Thompson—L. G. J. Randle—R. G. Referee "D" King will call the game at 8 o'clock. Admission 25c.

PURE BLOOD RUNS HIGH

REGISTERED CATTLE AND HOGS SOLD MONDAY FOR GOOD PRICES.

A big crowd was in town last Monday. There were several reasons for this. It was County Court day and fair weather. The meeting of the District Agricultural Board was in session here and State Food Administrator Fred M. Sackett was here for three lectures. But the main attraction for the farmers was the public sales of registered Jersey cattle by Atkins Bros., and registered Duroc hogs by J. U. Campbell.

Atkins Bros.' sale was held at 10 a. m. on the open lot in the rear of the Police Station. J. E. Cliborne auctioneered the sale and did fine work. Mr. C. R. Atkins reports that prices were satisfactory and everybody is well pleased. The following are average prices:

16 Registered cows with first calf, average \$135 each.
12 Grade heifers with first calf, average \$70 each.
16 Registered and Grade yearling calves, \$72 each.

The big Duroc sale held by J. U. Campbell at Dr. Isbell's stable was a success in every particular. Besides a large attendance of local people many of the leading hog raisers of Kentucky, Tennessee and Indiana were attracted here. These visitors proved active bidders and willing buyers. The prices ranged from \$60 to \$400 and the average for 45 hogs sold was \$134. In addition to crying the sale of this herd, Col. Iglehart made a great patriotic address preceding the opening of the sale.

TAX BOARD IN SESSION

STATE BODY HOPES TO ACCOMPLISH TASK IN TEN DAYS.

Frankfort, Ky., March 6.—Hearings began Monday morning on the general property assessments before the State Tax commission, which expects to conclude in about ten days what the old State Board of Equalization required 60 days to do.

Dates assigned are:
Monday, March 4—Fayette, Hancock, Nicholas, Boyle, Cumberland, Washington, Russell, Grant, Laurel, Callaway and Oldham counties.
Tuesday, March 5—Bourbon, Martin, Gallatin, Johnson, Christian, Spencer, Adair, Floyd, Leslie, Butler, Larue, Whitley, Pendleton and Union.

Wednesday, March 6—Clay, Taylor, Wayne, Franklin, Todd, Garrard, Casey, Jackson, Henry, Nelson, Scott, Clark, Fulton, Hickman and Lyon.
Thursday, March 7—Robertson, Campbell, Metcalfe, Hopkins, Harrison, Trimble, Davies, Warren, Madison, Barren, Knox, Boone, Knox and Simpson.

Friday, March 8—Jessamine, Bracken, Carroll, Marshall, Marion, Rockcastle, Woodford and Kenton.

REFERENDUM RECOMMENDED.

It is recommended to the New York Senate that a referendum be taken instead of ratifying the Federal prohibition amendment.

AMERICANS AGAIN REPULSE NIGHT RAID

Germans Start Trouble In Fall of Snow But Quickly Put to Flight.

SAMMIES TAKE PRISONERS

Several American Heroes Are Decorated With Crosses of Honor.

With bad weather prevailing, there has been some more raiding.

The Germans in Lorraine again attacked the American troops and met with defeat. Notwithstanding the heavy snow and the previous repulses they had met with L. their effort to penetrate the American positions, the enemy Monday night in the Toul sector essayed a surprise attack in considerable force. The American gunners and rifle men were quickly after them, however, and they were forced to beat a hasty retreat to the trenches.

Later the Americans themselves in the same region took the initiative and, sallying forth as a raiding unit, penetrated German positions and brought back a number of prisoners.

Bad weather generally prevails along the entire western front but nevertheless the Americans have again raided enemy positions near Warrington, which lies to the southwest of Ypres, taking more prisoners and several machine guns. This was the second venture of the kind on the part of the Australians in as many days in which the enemy losses have been fairly high.

The Germans, after having heavily bombarded the British lines west of Lens, launched an attack but the British easily repulsed it, inflicting heavy casualties on the Teutons and taking a number of prisoners.

As in France and Belgium, the weather conditions in the Austro-Italian front also are extremely bad with snowstorms in the mountains and heavy rains in the plains. During breaks in the storm, however, patrol parties have been active in the mountain region and artillery duels of considerable violence also have taken place on various sectors.

Americans Win Crosses.

It is now permissible to give the names of the officers and men decorated by Premier Clemenceau. They are:

Lieut. Joseph Canby, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Lieut. William Coleman, Charleston, South Carolina.

Sergeant Patrick Walsh.

Sergeant William Norton.

Private ("Buddy") Pittman, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Private Alvin Smiley, St. Louis.

The sergeants have been in the army many years.

Both the privates distinguished themselves by running through a barrage laid down by the Germans during the raid and delivering messages.

Two artillery officers, Capt. Holtzendorff, whose home is in Georgia, and Lieut. Green, will receive the French war cross. They were wounded by shell fire.

Lieuts. Canby and Coleman went out into No Man's Land in daylight and each took a German prisoner. Sergeant Norton killed a German lieutenant and two soldiers. He was challenged by the lieutenant to leave his dugout and led on to a men fighting. Sergeant Walsh was in command of a detachment in front of the wire when his captain was killed and continued the fight.

OUR HUN PRISONERS.

Already there are approximately 3,500 German prisoners in the United States. They are not captives in battle. They have never seen the trenches, but a portion of them were active participants in the war as officers and seamen. Hot Springs, in the mountains of North Carolina, was selected as an internment camp for the interned seamen. It lies far from the sea and nestles in the midst of mountain ranges in western North Carolina. For years it was a medicinal resort patronized by southern people. It is almost surrounded by the French Broad river. It possesses a great hotel capable of accommodating 400 or 500 people and open spaces for the building of barracks. Other war prisoners are interned at Fort McPherson and Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., where cantonnements have been erected similar to those occupied by troops.